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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed December 26, 2007, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks. If the Examiner does not believe that the claims, as amended, are allowable, a telephone interview is respectfully requested. The Applicant's attorney can be reached at (908) 654-5000.